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5.30 p.m., to confirm the Resolution passed
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Hongkong, May 27, 1908.

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 1908.

GERMANY AND SWEDEN.

MONARCHS PLEDGE AMITY.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters.)

LONDON, June 1.
Their Majesties the King and Queen of Sweden are at present in Berlin. At a banquet given in their honour the German Emperor and the King exchanged the most cordial toasts, each making reference to the dynastic and racial relationship which formed a bond between the countries.

CHINA'S FINANCE.

ANOTHER FOREIGN LOAN REQUIRED.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, June 1.
Prince Su, President of the Board of Municipality, has approached the Throne for permission for the flotation of a foreign loan to defray the expenditure incurred by his Board.

THE DEAD CENSOR.

FURTHER HONOUR ASKED FOR

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, June 1.
The Cabinet has memorialized the Throne on behalf of Lu Po Chung, President of the Board of Censors, who died as the result of an attempt to stop opium smoking, requesting that the deceased Minister should be further honoured for his energetic attempt to comply with the Imperial Edict regarding the prohibition of opium smoking.

AUSTRALIA'S TARIFF.

Passed by the Senate.

LONDON, May 31.
The Australian Senate has passed the Tariff, practically unamended.

THE ASSASSINATION IN EGYPT.

Twelve Sentenced to Death.

LONDON, May 31.
At the trial in connection with the assassination of the late Sir Colin Campbell Scott Moncrieff, twelve were sentenced to death, eight to imprisonment for life, and three acquitted.

LATER.
The death sentences on the murderers has been commuted to imprisonment for life.

THE USE OF STATISTICIANS.

A U.S. Conspiracy.

LONDON, May 31.
Mr. Price, the cotton operator, has been found to be implicated in a conspiracy with two former Government statisticians by which they made £150,000, sterling, through securing advance information.

UNITED STATES CURRENCY.

A Verbose Senator.

LONDON, May 31.
Yielding to the pressure of the political leaders of both parties, the Bill for creating an emergency currency has passed the Senate in spite of the efforts of certain Senators, one of whom, La Follette, spoke for 1½ hours.

NAIVE NEWS.

(From Our "Extra" Special Correspondent. Verb. et Lit.)

CANTON, June 1.
Last night at 7 o'clock in Man Fuk Lane at Nam Kwan a certain house carelessly caught fire in the kitchen and has spread to the neighbouring houses on both sides as the neighbours on one went to the top of their house to throw water pots at it and some of them used a iron bar to shovel the burning house; so the fire was only burnt up its kitchen.

AN AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL TRAVELLER'S STORY.

IT is the commercial traveller who finds the many changes of climate and water trying. Mr. Chas. G. Chapman, who represents a large Brisbane concern, had been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. On one of his trips a fellow traveller recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and this is what he says of it: "I procured a bottle and experienced great relief after taking a few doses. Before the bottle was finished I was cured and have not been troubled since." This remedy is for sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

ARMED ROBBERY.

A thrilling story of an armed robbery was told to Mr. Wood at the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, when four codices were placed in the dock or a charge of entering a house in West Street with daggers, for the purpose of robbery.

From the evidence it appears that two married women who were living in the house, heard a knock at the door, and on going to open it, prisoners went inside. After closing the door they produced daggers and pushed the two women and a servant into a room, gagged them and bound their hands and feet besides tying their hair together with wire.

The total amount of money stolen was \$515 and there was also found a piece of jewellery taken value \$170 30.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir,—Nothing is so painful and difficult to me as writing, except speaking, and recently I have had good reason to regret a want of skill in both accomplishments; but while, for my own mistakes I must take the consequences, the number of these disquisitions me to accept responsibility for those made by the printer's devil, and on the principle of giving the devil his due, I desire to disclaim ours.

By substituting the word "ditties" for the word "ideas" in the penultimate sentence of the letter which I addressed to you on Saturday that expiring imp served me a sorry trick. It exposed me to a glare from the gentleman who hides himself behind the name of "System" and enabled him to score a minor point. He is welcome to that, but even admitting the clumsiness thus introduced into the sentence he ought to have had no difficulty in making out what was meant, and indeed the rest of his letter seemed to indicate that he understood my meaning perfectly well.

As regards your editorial comments on certain points raised by my letter, I shall be glad, if you will allow me to refer to them later. Discussion upon them may, in my opinion, prove unprofitable, and pleasure as well as profit is to be derived from public controversy carried on in the reasonable spirit which characterised your article.—Yours etc.

MURRAY SEWART.

Hongkong, June 2, 1908.

HOUSE COLLAPSE IN CANTON.

Waterworks Admits Liability.

(From Our Correspondent.)
CANTON, June 1.
The Waterworks Co. has admitted liability for the recent collapse of two houses. The company has agreed to pay Taels 100 as compensation to the family of the man who was killed and has consented to rebuild the houses at the expense of the Waterworks company.

FEMALE INDEPENDENCE IN CANTON.

Recently the native papers have reported a considerable number of cases of wives and concubines in Canton who have quietly left their husbands' homes and gone off on their own account, apparently because they have been tired of the life that has been theirs. Some of these absconding females have been reported and brought back to their husbands by means of the police. When they have been confronted by their lords, some have determinedly set their faces against returning, and occasionally they have affirmed that they preferred death to the old life. Moreover, in the police courts, a strange relation of facts have been brought to light as to the usages of the Chinese in matters matrimonial. The same woman has been sold from one husband to another, and sometimes she has sold herself for twenty or thirty dollars, and in one case it was revealed that a woman was sold, and sold herself, to no less than four husbands. Moreover, it appears as if there are some houses to which they resort, and they are received therein, and thereafter they go forth to some occupation, probably at times none of the best. A case however was tried on Friday last, where the wife had been arrested. She said that she had left her husband to find work, and having found it had advised him of the place where she was. On the other hand, the husband affirmed that he was poor, and therefore his wife had absconded, and he did not know anything about her whereabouts, until she was discovered and arrested. It appears that the magistrates sided with the wife's side of the story, and affirmed that it was necessary to make an example of the case, as wives were leaving their husbands in unprecedented numbers, and unless an example was made of the case under consideration it was difficult to know what the end of the trouble would be when it would cease. The woman was therefore punished. As a rule, in these cases, justice is meted out by the rule of thumb. There is a certain amount of talk, and mutual promises given, and then the actors in the drama make it up and promise better things for the future, though, probably, everybody concerned knows that there is very little hope of permanent peace in a Chinese family once the even way has been departed from. Is modern education accountable for this?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is to be held on Thursday afternoon when the Order of the Day are:—Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to authorize the appropriation of a Supplementary sum of one hundred and sixty-six thousand seven hundred and thirty-five dollars and eighty-five cents, to defray the charges of the year 1907. Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the transfer of the properties of the Mao Mo Temple to the Tung Wa Hospital. Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the Exportation of Prepared Opium to China. This will not be proceeded with at this meeting. Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the registration of Chemists and Druggists and to regulate the Sale of Poisons. Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, and The Public Health and Buildings Amendment Ordinance, 1903.

A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held immediately after the Council.

THE PLAGUE EPIDEMIC IN HONGKONG.

What the Canton Viceroy Does.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 1.
It is regrettable to hear that the plague epidemic in Hongkong is worse than was expected. By the reports as they appear in the local papers, there should be no alarm. But upon further enquiries it appears that most Chinese do not report their cases and the consequence is that it is impossible for the Sanitary Board to know the exact state of affairs as regards the extension of the epidemic. From information from Chinese quarters, it appears a more exact report may be obtained. According to the reports of the Tung Wah Hospital the greatest number of cases reported in one day was forty. But it must be remembered that only those who were helpless would approach the Tung Wah Hospital for assistance and help to enable them to go back to their homes in China.

Those of the well-to-do class usually leave without any knowing it. The Fong Bin Shu, whose energetic committee deserve the highest commendation, continues to send its representatives on board steamers from Hongkong to take care of the sick and bury the dead. Owing unfortunately to the increasing number of persons coming up and the limited accommodation in this charitable institution, whose several hundred rooms are now full of plague patients, the committee have been for some time considering what should be done. This matter has now been taken up by the officials. At an interview with His Excellency Chang Jen Chun, Prefect Chun has placed the state of affairs before him. His Excellency lost no time in communicating with the Self Government Society instructing its committee to take the matter in hand at once. Always ready to respond to public appeal, this branch of China's future constitution is now having additional accommodation made ready for the sick from Hongkong. In order that no time should be lost His Excellency has informed the Self Government Society that all expenses in connection with this matter shall be defrayed from the Provincial Treasury. The readiness with which His Excellency has come forward regarding this matter is favourably commented upon by the public and press here.

At the request of the Tung Wah Hospital, the Canton authorities have made all arrangements and notified the customs referring to the charter of "night boat" for the conveyance of sick people from Hongkong to Canton.

PREFERENCE FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

WASHINGTON, May 28.
The House has passed the Legard-Payne tariff bill, whose chief provisions are: the free entry into the United States of all Philippine products except sugar, tobacco, and rice, which shall pay 25 per cent. of the Dingley tariff; free entry into the Philippine Islands of American sugar and tobacco; free trade between the two countries after April 11, 1909; the free entry into the Philippine Islands of agricultural implements and of machinery for the repair and construction of ships, 5 per cent. reduction of the present tariff on mining machinery coming into the Philippine Islands, and an increase of the tariff on buttons imported into the islands.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 2nd at 12.00 p.m.—The barometer has fallen over N. China and S.W. Japan. Pressure remains low over Manchuria and the N. part of the Sea of Japan. It is highest over S. China and the Pacific towards the Bonins.
Fresh to moderate N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.
FORECAST DISTRICT:
1.—Hongkong and Neighborhood:
2.—Winds, fresh to moderate; fair.
3.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh to moderate.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.
5.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

SPORTING.

The Derby.

Up till the running of the Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket on May 6, His Majesty's colt Perrier was favourite for the Derby, which is run to-morrow on the historic Epsom course, but after the poor showing made in the Two Thousand Perrier receded, being displaced by Norman III. The betting on the Two Thousand on the evening prior to the race was as follows:—
6 to 4 against His Majesty's Perrier,
by Persimmon-Amphora.

6 to 1 against Mr. A. F. Bassett's Sir Archibald, by Desmond-Aro Light.
100 to 12 against Mr. J. B. Byrnes's Mercurio, by Forfarshire-Sillanub.

100 to 12 against Duke of Portland's Primer, by St. Simon-Brevary.

10 to 1 against Mr. Hall Walker's White Eagle, by Gallinule-Merry Gal.
100 to 6 against Mr. J. B. Joel's Your Majesty, by Persimmon-Yours.

The result of the race was a win for Mr. August Belmont's Norman III, (O. Madden) a colt that is not mentioned in the betting above. The second favourite (Sir Archibald) filled second place, with White Eagle third. Naturally enough, Perrier's failure to win over the mile at Newmarket did not strengthen his position in the betting market for the Derby though this race is over a mile and a half, and he receded to ten to one against, while Norman III was quoted at 100 to 14 against.

The One Thousand Guineas, which was run a day or two after the Two Thousand, resulted as follows:—
Mr. Richard Croker's Rhodora, by St. Frusquin-Rhoda B., 1.
Capt. F. Forester's Bracelet, by Collier-Isis Belle, 2.
Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's Ardentriva, by William the Third-View, 3.
(Winner trained in Ireland.)
Betting: 5 to 3 against Ardentriva; 5 to 1 Bracelot; 100 to 8 Rhodora.
Nineteen ran. Won by two lengths, a neck dividing second and third.

REVIEW.

RAW EDGES. By Percival Landon, with designs by Alberto Martini. William Heinemann, London.

This is a collection of vigorously told short stories, which, as the name implies, deal with the raw edges of life. Most of them are thrilling, some subtle, and all decently told. That is the characteristic. The first story takes a hold, and the reader will be loath to postpone any of the following ones for other days. The book has a distinctive grip—a grip which does not relax until the end is reached. And at the end is perhaps the most weird story of the lot—a tale of a gyroscope, which runs amok at Dover. It is cleverly done—but so are the others. The ghost yarn of Thornbury Abbey is another which is calculated to raise the hair a little; whilst several stories having South Africa as a scene, and incident in the recent war as a theme, give the author scope for some excellent writing. But all are of the hair-raising order. Social life affords subjects, and the Recording Angel's Peasage, Lady Beatrice Overlaid, and Miss Rivers's Journal in particular constitute well-told stories of a unique order. Those who like a varied and select menu of well-written yarns cannot afford to let this book pass by.

LADY STREET SWEEPER.

At Bow-street Police Court recently before Mr. Marshman, Annie Biggs, aged thirty-six, who described herself as an organiser, and refused her address, was charged with wilfully and persistently causing obstruction by sweeping a crossing at the junction of Pall Mall and Waterloo place.

The defendant, a retired-looking woman of superior education, wore a black velvet jacket and a fur necklet. She had white kid gloves and a fashionable black toque trimmed with red flowers.

Addressing the magistrate in a cheerful voice the defendant said that she had tried her best to get employment, but had failed. She did not think it was against the law to sweep a crossing.

Mr. Marshman: I should think you could earn a livelihood in some other manner.
The defendant: I have done some of the finest work in London and out of London, and have good references. I am a caterer and organiser of first-class restaurants, and private hotels. I am quite willing to do anything, but I can't get employment because they say my references are too good. It is extraordinary, but it is so. I applied with a view to being sent to Queensland as a domestic servant, but they would not take me.

Mr. Herbert, the court missionary, said that the woman had told him her friends were fairly well-to-do, but she considered they had done as much for her as they could.

The defendant: They have helped me to such an extent that they think I am not willing to do anything.
Mr. Herbert: In all probability she was doing this to show her relatives that she was willing to work.
The defendant: I don't know that it will. They may be very angry. I have above the average ability, and am qualified to do a lot of things.
Mr. Marshman: I think this will have satisfied your friends that you are willing to work. You will be discharged now.

Washington, May 27.—The "Washington Post," to-day, has a leading article in which it is declared that none of those mentioned to succeed Secretary of War Taft will get the appointment. The article goes on to say that a dark horse is already slated for the position. It is said that the appointment will be a surprise to most people, including many of those supposed to be near the throne.

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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, May 1.

A rancid wound, of course, was left behind; and the trouble in this election is, that on the resignation of Mr. Edmund Robertson the Labourists claim not one, but both seats. Mr. Churchill is a man they will not look at, and they demand that he shall retire in favour of Mr. Stuart. At the moment of writing, it is notorious that intrigues are on foot to get Mr. Stuart out of the way; but he is stubborn, and everything promises a sharp and stiff fight, with the expenditure of a fine amount of ill temper.

There is no division in the Unionist camp, not even on the vexed question of the Thrift. The vote here will go solid, Sir George Baxter has assured his followers that they have a candidate on whom they can rely. And he has the respect of all parties, because he has begun his speech-making by an announcement that he will have no trimming on any question of his creed. When first approached, he intimated that he would have preferred that one physically stronger had been selected; but he has shown great vigour so far, and he will be helped by his many friends.

The Scottish National Exhibition in Edinburgh will be formally opened to-day by H. R. H. Prince Arthur of Connaught. There could be no finer site than Saughton, though it might have been a little nearer the centre of the City. Saughton Park is Edinburgh's latest recreation ground, a pretty expanse of landscape, through which meanders the well-known Water of Leith. To the south rises the bold, grass-covered heights of the Pentlands; to the north lies Cragston Hill, standing prominently against the sky; and to the east is a fine glimpse of Arthur's Seat and Edinburgh Castle on its rocky pedestal. Nominally, and to some extent actually, the Exhibition is National; but there are important Italian, Dutch, and Japanese sections, and the Canadian pavilion is one of the hand-somest on the ground.

Of course, there are all the usual attractions of such Exhibitions, and in addition there are two unique displays. The first is the galleries of Scottish pictures, the first serious attempt ever made to illustrate the evolution of our national art. There are examples from the early days of Jamesone, "the Scottish Van Dyck," down to the present time. The importance of the loan collection may be gathered from the fact that it is insured for £240,000.

There is a very fine gallery of historical relics from the Highlands and Islands. It includes the "Brooch of Lorne" and the "Baldric of Brooch," numerous relics of Bonnie Prince Charlie, and a fan that belonged to Flora Macdonald. A collection of regimental colours, uniforms, medals, and badges is a prominent feature.

The Japanese section has scored a success. "It is significant that this section has been for some days practically ready for the opening," says one writer; and in all the preliminary notices of the Exhibition there has been a reference to the preparedness of the Japs. The novelty of the thing seems to have struck everybody. The British exhibitor being usually content to see his stall or section in working order some three weeks or so after inaugural ceremony.

Apart from the exhibits, the salon which contains them is a fine example of Oriental decoration. It is composed largely of plaster glass, surrounded by charming hand-carved and hand-painted panels which bear representations of singing birds and swimming carp. Plum blossoms are also seen in full bloom. The ceiling is decorated with crest designs of the phoenix and kimon. The salon is modelled after one of the rooms in the famous Nikko Temple. Adjoining it are the Crane and Floral Salons, so called because they are respectively decorated with hand-painted panels of cranes and flowers. The panels are typical of the moulds of the year in Japan. With the exception of the Crane Salon, which was designed and built in Japan, the work in the Crane and Floral Salons has been done by the exhibitors themselves, Messrs Tsutsumi and Co., Osaka, Japan. All the panels and ceilings are hand-painted by the firm's artist, Mr. B. Yamamoto. Japanese ladies clad in kimonos will give practical demonstrations of Japanese embroidery sewing.

The Scottish papers who protested against the adoption by the Australian Commonwealth of a coat of arms in which "the claims of Scotland and Ireland to obtain recognition in what ought to be an Imperial design" were ignored, have won what Lord Halsbury would call a sort of victory. It seems that in the proposed shield Australia adopted the cross of St. George as a ground. Saint Patrick and Saint Andrew were left out. But, on having "this omission indicated, the Australian Government have behaved very nicely about it. The cross of St. Andrew, they say, was adopted for symmetry, and not with any idea of flouting either Saint George, or any part of the Kingdom in particular. Now, to keep matters right, they are to do without a cross, and use as a ground three bars of red, white, and blue. Thus, so to speak, each saint will be represented by one arm of his cross.

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CARTER THE WONDERFUL.

Tells of His Trade.

Yesterday afternoon the famous (Charles) J. Carter, the Master Magician, arrived from Manila, with his staff of assistants and tons of apparatuses. On Thursday evening at the Theatre Royal this world renowned Magician will give Hongkong residents an opportunity of witnessing his marvellous skill.

In an interview the Magician told of his trade. "Magicians do not delve so deeply into science as people imagine," said Carter to a reporter. "Their tricks are on the surface, merely applications of natural laws, and no elaborate mechanism is required or applied. For that reason children are our real critics. If I see that the children in the audience cannot fathom my tricks, I know that I am safe from the grown persons. The latter look away beyond the trick for some occult explanation, while children look directly at it."

"Magic comes down to us from the Egyptians, and so far as I have been able to discover, it has never served any purpose save to amuse. A magician cannot really produce money; cannot make plants or animals grow in a hurry nor cannot suspend the law of nature in any particular. Few magicians are scientific men or try to advance on what has been handed down to them from previous generations."

"I mention during my act at the theatre that it is possible to duplicate any manifest action in spiritism by natural means. All so-called spiritualistic manifestations are crude. Most of these old performers are now dropping out because people realize more and more that that sort of spiritualism is not genuine."

"I spent more than ten years investigating the operations of the famous Dr. Slade, who made impossible fortunes from his slate writings, and I can tell you exactly how he did it. He would have his home being in his slate. Slade would hold the victim's hand over the table while with his other hand he would pass the slate under the table to his confederate, who would write upon it."

"For a single slate-writing he would sometimes obtain as much as \$100. Sometimes, incredulous persons would bring in two slates, bound or sewed tightly together, and would then ask Slade to have the spirits write on the inside. Slade would cheerfully comply. He would pass the slate down to his confederate, who by a powerful wedge, would force the slates half an inch apart. The confederate would then insert a tiny bit of chalk in the crevice to be found in the end of all umbrellas ribs, and inserting this between the slates, would write thereon."

"The modern tricks are often merely matters of mechanism. When persons are always puzzled, the panels opening either on the top or at the end, by an instant fastening. After the trick is over, the person inside simply opens the panel and walks out. The feat of having the hand on a glass clock stop at any desired time amounts simply to the placing of a button on the hand in one of a certain row of holes on the dial, by which it would be possible for the hand to stop at any other number."

"The trick of a hand rapping on glass, which I am now doing, is one of my own processes. Many years ago a similar trick was worked by means of a thread passing under the stage and worked by a confederate. That would be impossible with me, since I place the hand in the centre of the glass and pass all around it. Neither do I use any magnetism. The method is so simple that people would not believe it if I told them. On the contrary, I cannot persuade many of them that I do not use supernatural power in making the hand move."

In gaining I follow Alexander Horatio's dictum that magic is not jugglery and does not depend so much on the agility of one finger as it does on the ability of the magician to deceive the senses and make apparent something that is not a fact."

ALONE ON THE OCEAN.

British Naval Officer's Perilous Adventure.

A thrilling story comes from Grenada, West Indies, relating the perilous adventures which befell Commander Macleachlan, of H.M.S. Scylla, who was lost alone in the Caribbean Sea for two days without food or water.

Commander Macleachlan went out alone in a small sailing ship for some fishing. He did not return that day, nor the next, and the gravest fears were entertained as to his safety. Local steamers, fishing smacks, and craft of every description lent their aid in making a search in the neighbouring waters, but it was not until the following Friday that Commander Macleachlan was picked up in the Caribbean Sea about thirty miles from Carleton, Grenada. He was in a most exhausted condition, having had nothing to eat or drink for two days.

The tale he had to tell when somewhat recovered was a most thrilling one. It appears that owing to a sharp gale springing up the keel of his boat was broken and the boat capsized. For two days he had to fight constantly for his life. His little boat turned over and over like a porpoise almost continuously, and it was with the greatest difficulty that he was able to keep his head above water. To add to the horror of the situation, he was attacked by sea-birds, and had to beat them off with a plank, which he took from the boat.

Once a young shark got into the boat. The commander kicked and hit, and a great blow on the forehead part of the snout with the plank caused the shark to seek more congenial waters. Commander Macleachlan had got so used to catching glimpses of vessels which were hunting for him, that he could hardly realize that they had actually sighted him when they came to his rescue. His tongue and throat were so swollen that he could scarcely swallow.

Washington, May 28.—William H. Taft and William J. Bryan, if nominated for the Presidency of the United States, are expected to follow strictly the usual law of Congress regarding the publicity of campaign funds. They will publish before the day of election an estimate of the expenses of their campaign.

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Washington, May 28.—The test of the armour of the single turret monitor Florida against the heaviest guns used in the armament of the modern battleship, proved to be a victory for the armour to a victory for the armour plate manufacturers. The monitor withstood a continuous fire from the largest of naval guns without serious hurt.

Madrid, May 27. The newspapers of Spain are demanding that the government order the immediate recall of the Spanish troops now in Morocco. The Press says that the Spanish flag has been sighted by the affair at Casa Blanca when, through misunderstandings, the flag was fired upon and at least one soldier killed.

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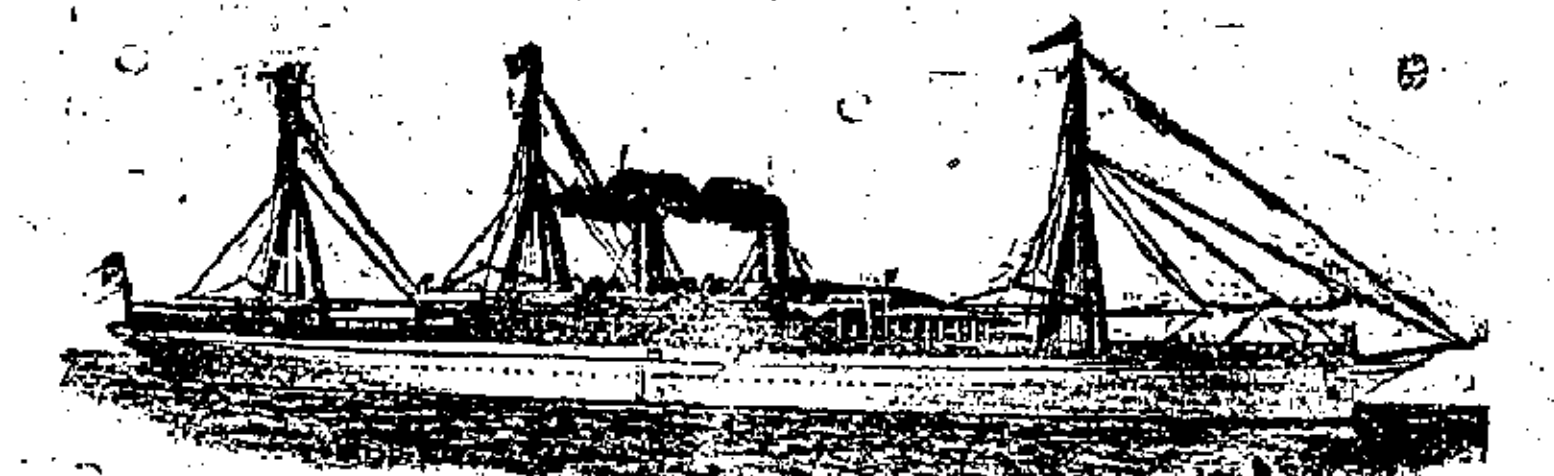
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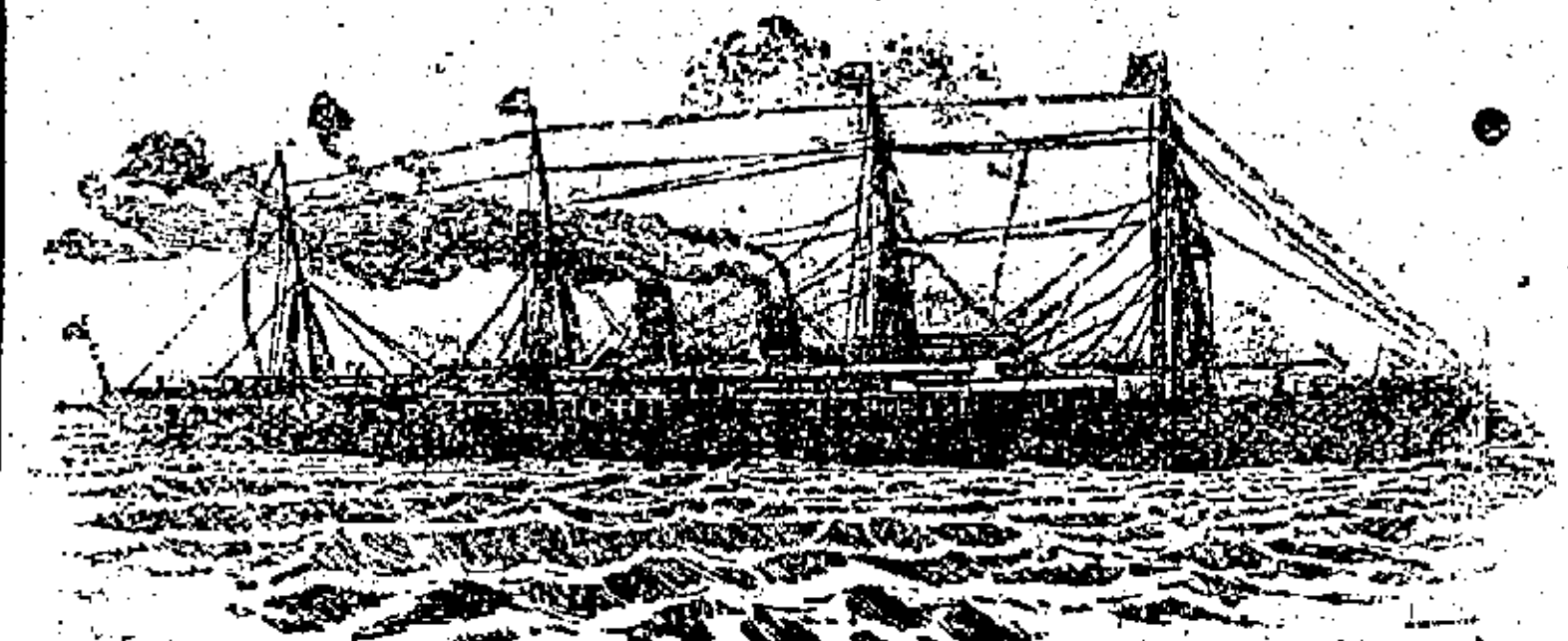
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* DALIN MARU, Capt. I. SAKURAI.	June 10, a.m.	SUNDAY, 7th
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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. 'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS. FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAIT.

THE Steamship 'Glen' having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd June, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd June, at 11 a.m.

No Claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

MCGREGOR BROS. & CO., Hongkong, May 28, 1908.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP 'SHAWMUT'.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, MOJI AND MANILA.

THE above Steamship having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents, Hongkong, May 27, 1908.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship 'Foolang' having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 28th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Ltd., Agents, Hongkong, May 28, 1908.

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No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 6th of June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chipped, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th of June, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 10th of June, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MEHLERS & Co., Agents, Hongkong, May 30, 1908.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co's Steamship 'Laiang' having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 3rd June, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Ltd., General Managers, Hongkong, June 1, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP 'ARCADIA'.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAIT.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, May 29, 1908.

ROMANCE OF THE LONDON DOCKS.

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MILES OF WAREHOUSE.

Few people have any clear idea either of the magnitude or the romantic interest of the London Docks, which, under the Bill just introduced in the House of Commons are to be henceforth managed by a public authority. In the series of articles, of which this is the first, some of the marvels of the Port of London are described.

I feel amazed, as the country people say, confused, bewildered. Also I feel extremely tired. I have spent a whole day on the premises of the London and India Docks. I have walked through miles and miles of warehouses. I have watched goods from every part of the world being unpacked and sorted. And as yet I have not seen a single ship!

I brought it all upon myself by walking into the Leadenhall-street office of the Dock Company and asking if I could see over the docks. The secretary smiled. "Anything you want to see particularly?" he inquired.

"I want to get an idea," I said, "of what the new Port of London authority, to be created under Mr Lloyd George's Bill, will have to take over."

The secretary walked across the room and unfurled a large map of the Port area. "I wonder if you realise," he said, "that the docks extend over an area of some twenty-two miles, that there are more than forty miles of quay-side, that the various docks and basins include 640 acres of water, that in the warehouses are stored many millions of pounds' worth of goods, that 700 cranes are always at work unloading or loading cargo, that—"

"Please, please," I interrupted, "I know, the docks are big, but I am prepared to give up all the morning to them."

BUILT FOR THE NARVES.

From Leadenhall-street we made for Hourditch. Then turning into Cutlers' street we came to a vast, dignified pile of buildings with an imposing entrance and an atmosphere of stately solidity. They were built some 120 years ago by the East India Company for the storage of the merchandise out of which the "nabobs" made their enormous profits. The London and India Dock Company own them now, and here in these five acres of seven-story warehouses, capable of holding 20,000 tons of goods, are received and temporarily stored an amazingly varied and valuable collection of imported wares.

None of the wares belong to the Dock Company. They are housed and exhibited here merely for the convenience of the consignees. But the trade of London could not do without them. Some things, such as tea, are "in bond," that is to say, they are articles liable to duty which can be lodged here duty-free. The duty only has to be paid when the owners take them "out of bond." But most of the goods are goods at present admitted free, and displayed here for the benefit both of seller and purchaser, so as to grace the machinery of trade.

FEATHERS TEN GUINEAS AN OUNCE.

In that box are ostrich feathers which are going to fetch between forty and fifty guineas a pound—that is to say, well over ten shillings a feather wholesale and unadressed. The sale at present in progress will realise probably a quarter of a million of money. But even the best ostrich feathers are cheap compared with opium plumes. "All those long tables are covered with 'fagettes,' and the finest of them run to ten guineas an ounce! In one room alone there are feathers and birdskins to the value of £25,000.

Of the beauty and the vivid coloring of these creatures from every corner of the earth it would take me an hour to tell. Try to imagine heaps and heaps of birds of paradise with their gorgeous tails, boxes full of hummingbirds with iridescent plumage which positively glitters in the sunlight, crates stuffed with brilliant parakeets, packing-cases everloving with the wonderful red macaws, every kind of gayly feathered bird you can think of and many of which you never heard of dreaming.

But we must not spend all day here. There are thirty-six rooms full of carpets to be seen—carpets from Persia, from India, from Turkey, from Japan. They range in price from a few shillings to hundreds of pounds. One huge and especially magnificent silk Persian, with a surface like velvet, is valued at no less than £1,000. Three generations of a family are said to have worked on it before it was finished. Thirty-six rooms full, imagine it!

£250,000 WORTH OF TEA.

Next into the tea rooms. Hundreds and thousands of tea chests. Piles of tea left, high being well "mixed" with wooden spades. I am corrected for calling these "big piles." Well, they are big they reach to the ceiling! Tea experts are at work valuing, tasting, grumbling if the leaves are not well "blended," that is, of even quality throughout each parcel. A faint aroma clings to us as we leave the tea chests, a delicate suggestion of something of Opium Palace.

Every pound of tea, it is reckoned, costs a day's labour of one man. One's mind is filled instantly by a vision of millions of coolies working in the fragrant plantations. What an immense army of them must have contributed their efforts towards harvesting this enormous bulk of tea here—never less than the worth of £250,000.

These Singapore goods are for Morocco. The cargo is worked in Manchester, then it goes to India to be dyed blue, back to London, and thence to Africa for the Moors, who won't have it unless the indigo is warranted to come off on their bodies. They are as fond of blue dye as our British ancestors were of wool.

H. HAMILTON FRYE in "Overseas Daily Mail."

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Soup—Tung Yuk... 10 20

Steak—Nga Yik Pa... 10 20

Autom Ngai Lan Sze... 10 20

Bausages—Nga Chung... 10 20

Bullcock's Brains—Slow... 10 20

Tongue fresh—Nga... 10 20

Corned—Ham Ngai Lan... 10 20

Head—Nga Tan... 10 20

Heart—Nga Sum... 10 20

Ham—Nga Kiu... 10 20

Feet—Nga Kerk... 10 20

Kidneys—Nga Yik... 10 20

Tail—Nga Mai... 10 20

Liver—Nga Mai... 10 20

Tripes (undressed)—Nga Tan... 10 20

Olives Head and Feet—Nga chat-tan... 10 20

Mutton Chop—Yung Pak Kwat... 10 20

Leg—Yung Pak... 10 20

Shoulder—Yung Shan... 10 20

Pigs' Chittlings—Chi chong... 10 20

Brains—Chi Know... 10 20

Feet—Chi Kerk... 10 20

Fry—Chi Chak... 10 20

Head—Chi Tan... 10 20

Heart—Chi Sum... 10 20

Kidneys—Chi Yik... 10 20

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Eggs, Hen—Kai Dai... 10 20

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